

CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of claims:

1-48. (cancelled)

49. (currently amended) A communication system capable of outputting printing image data selected by ~~an information processing a user~~ device on a user side from image data to be supplied from ~~an information processing a supplier~~ device on a supplier side, comprising:

a printer, which includes:

~~an output device including~~ first connection means for connecting to ~~an information processing said user device; on a user side,~~

second connection means for connecting to ~~an information processing said supplier device on a supplier side,~~ via the Internet;

request reception means for receiving ~~a request~~ transaction data from said ~~information processing user device on the user side~~ via said first connection means;

data reception means for receiving image data according to ~~said request received by said request reception means~~ the transaction data from ~~said information processing device on the supplier side~~ via said second connection means; and

output printing means for ~~outputting printing~~ the image data received by said data reception means; ~~and,~~

wherein said user device includes:

sending means for sending the identification of image data to the supplier device via the Internet; and

response reception means for receiving the transaction data, which includes the identification of image data, from the supplier side, and

wherein said ~~information processing supplier~~ device ~~on a supplier side including~~ includes:

~~determination means for determining whether a type of the output device which transmits a data request by data request transmission means is a type that can prevent illegal data receiving by a user, and a controller for controlling the transmission of the data to said output device in accordance with the determination by said determination means~~ the model of said printer can guarantee safety of the image data; and

data transmission means for transmitting the image data to said printer, if the determination by said determination means indicates the safety.

50. (currently amended) The communication system according to Claim 49, wherein said ~~output device~~ printer including:

transmission means for sending, to said ~~information processing supplier~~ device ~~on the supplier side~~, charge information in response to said output by of said output printing means.

51. (currently amended) The communication system according to Claim 49, wherein said ~~output device~~ printer including;

charge information storage means for storing said charge information; and

deletion means for deleting said charge information from said charge information storage means after having sent said charge information to said ~~information processing~~ supplier device ~~on the supplier side~~ in case that a power-off operation of said ~~output device~~ printer has been detected.

52. (currently amended) The communication system according to Claim 49, wherein said ~~output device~~ printer including:

data storage means for storing the image data received by said data reception means;

deletion means for deleting said image data from said ~~data~~ storage means in case that the image data has been stored in said storage means for a predetermined time, or in case that the power-off operation of said ~~output device~~ printer has been detected.

53. (currently amended) The communication system according to Claim 49, further comprising:

~~an information processing~~ a management device on a manager side including management means for registering and managing said ~~output device~~ printer;

wherein said determination means determines if said ~~output device~~ printer has been registered by said management means.

54. (cancelled).

55. (currently amended) A control method for controlling ~~an information~~

processing a supplier device on a supplier side that supplies image data, comprising:

a determination step for determining whether a ~~type of a output device requesting~~
~~by data request transmission means, the transmission of data selected by an information~~
~~processing device on the user side based on product data including information on the data~~
~~selected by said information processing device on the user side is a type that can prevent illegal~~
~~data receiving by a user~~ model of a printer can guarantee safety of the image data; and

a control step for controlling the transmission of the data to said output device in
accordance with the ~~determination in said determination step~~; a data transmission step of
transmitting the image data to said printer, if the determination of said determining step indicates
the safety,

wherein said ~~output device~~ printer includes:

first connection means for connecting to ~~the information processing a user~~ device
on a user side;

second connection means for connecting to ~~the information processing said~~
supplier device on a supplier side, via the Internet;

request reception means for receiving a ~~request~~ transaction data from said
~~information processing user device on the user side~~ via said first connection means;

notification means for notifying said supplier device of the transaction data and
the model of said printer via said second connection means;

data reception means for receiving image data according to ~~said request received~~
~~by said request reception means~~ the transaction data, which includes the identification of image
data, from said information processing device on the supplier side via said second connection
means; and

~~output~~ printing means for ~~outputting~~ printing the image data received by said data reception means.

56. (cancelled).